

Name: Solutions

Directions: All questions require explanation in English sentences.

1. [2 parts, 2.5 points each] Translate the following into formal mathematical language. Then, decide if the statement is true or false. Let E be the set of even integers, let P be the set of primes, and let $D(x, y)$ be “ y is an integer multiple of x ”.

- (a) Whenever the sum of two integers is even, at least one of the summands is even.

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall y \in \mathbb{Z}. (x+y \in E) \Rightarrow ((x \in E) \vee (y \in E))$$

This is false. For example, if $x=3$ and $y=5$, then $x+y$ is even but both x and y are odd.

- (b) There is no largest prime.

Hypothesis:

$$\neg (\exists p \in P. \forall g \in P. g \leq p)$$

This is true; since there are infinitely many primes, for each prime p , there is a larger prime g .

2. [2 parts, 2.5 points each] Translate the following formal statements into English, in the most natural way possible. Then, decide if the statement is true or false. Let E be the set of even integers, let P be the set of primes, and let $D(x, y)$ be “ y is an integer multiple of x ”.

(a) $\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}. \forall y \in \mathbb{Z}. (x \in E \wedge x \notin E) \implies (x + y \notin E).$

The sum of an even and an odd integer is odd.

This is true.

(b) $\exists a, b \in \mathbb{N}. \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. (D(a, n) \wedge D(b, n)) \implies D(ab, n)$

There exist

two some integer positive integers a and b such that

Whenever a and b divide one ~~other~~ positive integer,

so does their product ab .

This is true; for example, $a=1$ and $b=1$. A more interesting example is $a=2$ and $b=3$: an even number that is divisible by 3 is also divisible by 6.